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Warm Springs Hydro LLC

Project No. 14576-000

NOTICE OF PRELIMINARY PERMIT APPLICATION ACCEPTED FOR FILING AND SOLICITING COMMENTS, MOTIONS TO INTERVENE, AND COMPETING APPLICATIONS

On January 13, 2014, Warm Spring Hydro LLC filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), proposing to study the feasibility of the Unity Dam Hydroelectric Project (project) to be located on the Burnt River near Unity in Baker County, Illinois. The sole purpose of a preliminary permit, if issued, is to grant the permit holder priority to file a license application during the permit term. A preliminary permit does not authorize the permit holder to perform any land-disturbing activities or otherwise enter upon lands or waters owned by others without the owners' express permission.

The proposed project would be located at the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation's Unity Dam and would consist of the following new facilities: (1) a bifurcation at the end of the existing discharge pipe; (2) a 130-foot-long, 4-foot-diameter steel penstock; (3) a powerhouse containing two Francis turbine/generator units with a combined rated capacity of 800 kilowatts at 100 feet of design head; (4) a 500-foot-long, 12.5-kilovolt transmission line extending from the powerhouse to an existing transmission line (the point of interconnection); and (5) appurtenant facilities. The estimated annual generation of the project would be 3,400 megawatt-hours.

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Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications: 60 days from the issuance of this notice. Competing applications and notices of intent must meet the requirements of 18 CFR 4.36.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications using the

Commission's eFiling system at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426. The first page of any filing should include docket number P-14576-000.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of Commission's website at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp. Enter the docket number (P-14576) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Dated: April 8, 2014

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary.

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